



**ARIZONA READY EDUCATION COUNCIL
GRADUATION/DROPOUT PREVENTION TASKFORCE**

June 3, 2014 @ 3:30 p.m.

Executive Tower

1700 W. Washington

2nd Floor Conference Room

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Meeting Notes

Members Present: Cathleen Barton (telephonic), Dan Brown (telephonic), Dr. Maria Harper Marinick (telephonic), Martha Morgan (telephonic), Diane McCarthy (telephonic), Mary Murphy (telephonic), Darcy Renfro (telephonic), Dr. Amy Schlessman (telephonic), Christine Thompson (telephonic), Tom Tyree (telephonic), Merl Waschler (telephonic), and Dr. Jim Zaharis (telephonic).

Members Not Present: Patti Beltram, Rusty Bowers, Pearl Esau, Sam Leyvas, Amanda McAdams, Kent Scribner, Carolyn Warner, and Vince Yanez.

Staff Present: Dale Frost

Call to Order, Welcome, & Introductions

Merl Waschler called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m. and provided welcoming remarks and introduced the purpose of this meeting, which was to discuss the final draft of the Graduation Rate Task Force Report (GRTF) and discuss plans for the Arizona Ready Council Retreat on June 10, 2014.

Discussion: Plan Retreat Details

Dale Frost, Policy Advisor and Director of the Governor's Office of Education Innovation, updated the GRTF on details of the Arizona Ready Council Retreat. The retreat will start at 10:00 a.m. and the first part of the retreat will focus on presenting the GRTF Final Report. Mr. Waschler invited GRTF members to attend the retreat.

Discussion: Review GRTF Final Report

Merl Waschler asked GRTF members for feedback on the final version of the GRTF Report. Council Members were pleased with the edits and revisions that have been incorporated into the final report.

Action: Move to Accept Final Report

Diane McCarthy motioned to accept the final report and Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick seconded. The final report was accepted unanimously by GRTF members.

Council Comments

Council members had no further comments.

Call to the Public

There were no requests by the public to speak to the Task Force.

Adjourn

With no further business before the Taskforce, the meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.